

REMARKS

Applicant, solely in an effort to expedite prosecution of this application and in no way conceding the validity of the rejections, has cancelled claims 9-13 and 15-17. Since claims 1-8, 14, and 18-30 have been previously withdrawn, only claims 31-42 remain pending in this application. Because the examiner has indicated that these claims are allowed, Applicant believes this amendment canceling claims 9-13 and 15-17 places the application in condition for allowance.

If a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the undersigned may be called at 502-562-7378. Alternatively, H. Roy Berkenstock may be contacted at 901-537-1108.

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